



## Ranger Guided Programs 2010

Whiskeytown offers a variety of family friendly ranger-guided activities for everyone from mid-June through the Labor Day weekend. These free activities are subject to change as the park introduces new programs this summer. Visitors must display a valid day use pass or other park pass on all vehicles in the park. Please call the Visitor Center at (530) 246-1225, visit our website at [www.nps.gov/whis](http://www.nps.gov/whis) or call Clinton Kane at (530) 242-3451 for the latest information.

### Introducing two new programs for toddlers!

#### **It's All About Nature! – Story Time for Preschoolers**

Friday 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 (June 18<sup>th</sup> through September 3rd)

Join one of our local talents and learn about the natural world of Whiskeytown through the art of storytelling followed by a hands-on activity with a ranger. The program is aimed primarily for preschool-age children.

Meet at the Visitor Center near the south side of the parking lot.

No parking pass is required at Visitor Center during this free program.

#### **Toddler Ranger!**

**Sunday only 11 a.m. (1/2 hour)**

Kids 3 to 6 years of age can learn more about nature and the park during this special program with a ranger.

Meet at the Oak Bottom Amphitheater.



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### **Kayak Tours (2 ½ hours)**

Hop on a kayak built for two and explore the quiet coves around Whiskeytown Lake while you learn more about the natural and cultural values of the park. All participants must know how to swim and children must be at least six years old. Daily tours are available and times vary from morning to evening tours. For reservations up to two weeks in advance, call 530-242-3462. *Ask about arranging for a group tour (minimum of 12 people) for your friends and family, business, or community group.*

### **Moonlight Kayak Tours (2 ½ hours)**

Experience dramatic changes in the landscape as you explore the lake under the light of the moon. Moonlight tours are offered each month during the summer. For reservations up to two weeks in advance, call 530-242-3462. Space is limited to four reservations per phone call.

### **Special Access Kayak Program (2 hours)**

If you or someone you know is hesitant to join us on a kayaking adventure on Whiskeytown Lake because of limited mobility, advanced age, disability, developmental issues, or illness, the Special Access Kayak Program may be perfect for you! Join one of our volunteer “kayak buddies” for a relaxing evening paddle on the lake. Please call 530 242-3454 for more information or if you wish to volunteer for this very special program.

### **Junior Ranger**

#### **Saturday 10 a.m. (1 hour)**

Kids 7 to 12 years of age can make new friends during a special one-hour activity that explores the marvels of Whiskeytown. Meet at the Oak Bottom Amphitheater.

### **Junior Firefighter**

#### **Saturday 11 a.m. (1 hour)**

See how firefighters manage fire to promote forest health and protect lives and property. Learn about the important role that wildfire plays in our National Parks during this hands-on activity. Meet at the Oak Bottom Amphitheater.

### **Walk In Time (Includes gold panning!)**

#### **Saturday and Sunday 3 p.m. (2 hours)**

Discover how pioneer/prospectors Charles Camden and Levi Tower re-shaped the landscape to create a home for their family and an “oasis” for the many travelers during and after the California Gold Rush. After a tour of the 1852 home built by Charles Camden, enjoy a leisurely stroll through the apple orchard then try your hand at finding gold the old-fashioned way.

Meet at the Tower House Historic District parking lot.

### **Evening Programs**

#### **Friday and Saturday 9 p.m. (8:30 p.m. beginning August 6<sup>th</sup>)**

Spend the evening with a ranger and learn more about wonders of Whiskeytown through talks, slide shows, or other activities during this one-hour program. Topics include history, wildlife, and current issues related to protecting the park’s natural and cultural resources. Meet at the Oak Bottom Amphitheater.

### **Water Safety Demonstration**

#### **Saturday & Sunday - variable as staffing allows**

Saving someone from drowning while keeping yourself at a safe distance depends on quick thinking, common sense, and the ability to use nearby objects. Join a National Park Service ranger and lifeguards for this enlightening water-safety demonstration at Brandy Creek Beach.